



## Techsploration #womenintech Scholarship

A scholarship fund has been created by Digital Nova Scotia to provide a scholarship to young women pursuing a Computer Science/Information Technology-related degree or diploma in Nova Scotia.

### Overview

- The scholarship has been funded through a generous contribution from **Digital Nova Scotia**.
- One scholarship of \$1,000 will be awarded **for the 2019-2020 post-secondary school year**.
- The scholarships are non-renewable.
- Applications will be accepted until **June 21, 2019** for the 2019-2020 school year.
- The total amount of the scholarship will be paid in full to the student recipient, and **Techsploration** will undertake the administration and stewardship of the funds.

### Criteria

The recipients must meet the following criteria:

- Been accepted with an admissions average of 80% or higher from Grade 12 December/January exams or final Grade 12 marks; or continuing post-secondary studies with an average of 80% or higher.
- Must self-identify as female.
- Must be registered in an **accredited Computer Science or Information Technology-related** program in **Nova Scotia**.
- Preference will be given to Techsplorer Alumnae and graduates of [Techsploration High Schools](#) in Nova Scotia, but all young women pursuing related studies are encouraged to apply.

## Application Form

### 1. Please complete the following (please print):

Name in full (first, middle & last): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (     ) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Post-secondary Program and Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of school you attended when you were in the Techsploration Program (if an alumnae):  
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### 2. The Essay

The applicant must write a one-page essay and attach it to her application. Please note that the Selection Committee will take essay presentation (i.e. grammar, neatly typed, consistent formatting, etc.) into consideration as part of the judging process. The essay will include, but not be limited to, the following information:

- *Describe the impact of how being exposed to Computer Science/IT jobs and programs like Techsploration (role models, mentorship, etc.) have had on you. How did it influence your decision to pursue your potential area of study?*
- *Describe any community, volunteer, leadership, or employment activities in which you are involved.*
- *Describe what made you choose the program for which you have been accepted and in what area of study you might have an interest.*
- *What challenges or opportunities do you think you might encounter as a woman in IT and how would you address/embrace them?*

### 3. An Academic/Community Reference (not mandatory)

The applicant may ask a teacher, employer, or community leader to write a letter of recommendation on their behalf. The letter must be limited to one page and be signed by the reference.

#### UNDERTAKING BY APPLICANT:

I have read the regulations that govern the Digital Nova Scotia Techsploration Scholarship and make application upon the conditions stated.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please Note:** Include this completed application form, a copy of your essay, and a transcript of your academic record within your application package. This information must be received by June 21, 2019.

**Please send your application via email to [emily.boucher@techsploration.ca](mailto:emily.boucher@techsploration.ca) or via fax to (902) 491-4536.**

**Contact:** Please contact Emily Boucher at [emily.boucher@techsploration.ca](mailto:emily.boucher@techsploration.ca) or (902) 491-3535 should you have any questions regarding the application process.